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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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For : PRINTING METHOD FOR PRINTING

OPTICALLY READABLE CODE ON

PRINTING MEDIUM, USING
PRINTING PLATE AND PRINTED
MATTER BEARING PRINTED AND
OPTICALLY READABLE CODE

Art Unit : 2854

Examiner : Ren Luo Yan

AMENDMENT FILED WITH RCE

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

SIR:

This Amendment is being filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination in response to the Final Office Action mailed May 5, 2006, the term for response to which is extended by one month by Petition to expire on September 5, 2006.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are set forth in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper. Claims 1 and 3 are amended; claims 2 and 4 are maintained; claim 5 is canceled; and claim 6 is added.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.

This paper is being submitted via EFS-Web on September 5, 2006

In the event that this Paper is late filed, and the necessary petition for extension of time is not filed concurrently herewith, please consider this as a Petition for the requisite extension of time, and to the extent not already paid, authorization to charge the extension fee to Account No. 06-1378. In addition, authorization is hereby given to charge any fees for which payment has not been submitted, or to credit any overpayments, to Account No. 06-1378.